

# Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Trust Fund

# Fund 474

## PURPOSE OF THE FUND:

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Trust Fund accounts for the funding received from the federal government in support of the federal JAG Program. When the Bureau of Justice Assistance discontinued the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Program in 2004, it was replaced by the JAG Program. The JAG Program updated requirements as follows: awards are distributed up front instead of on a reimbursement basis, projects can be funded beyond a four year period, fewer fiscal and programmatic reports are required, and mandatory set-asides from the City are eliminated. The funds are used to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system.

Funds can be used for the following activities:

- State and local initiatives;
- training law enforcement officers and necessary support personnel;
- equipment, technology, and other materials directly related to basic law enforcement functions;
- contractual support and informational systems for prosecution, prevention and education, drug enforcement, and technology improvement programs;
- establishing multi-jurisdictional task forces to prevent or control crime;
- establishing crime prevention programs involving cooperation between the community and law enforcement personnel; and
- school safety and school resource officer initiatives.

## AUTHORITY FOR THE FUND:

San José Municipal Code sections 4.80.3450 through 4.80.3480. Revenue and expenditure estimates are budgeted via Council funding sources resolution and appropriation ordinance, respectively.

## SOURCE OF FUNDS:

- United States Department of Justice, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants
- Transfers from other funds
- Interest earnings

## FUND RESTRICTIONS:

While the use of moneys within this fund is not subject to Proposition 218, certain moneys in this fund may be restricted by other policies and guidelines, which are described below.

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## FUND RESTRICTIONS (CONT'D.):

The City was required to establish a trust fund to account for the deposit of all federal payments received under the JAG Program. All interest accrued must be deposited in this fund and can not be transferred to other funds. Moneys in this fund must be expended for law enforcement activities in accordance with federal guidelines.

## LEAD RESPONSIBILITY:

Police Department

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND LOCATION:

### Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) Designation:

Governmental Fund-Special Revenue

### Budget Location:

Adopted Operating Budget

### Funding Sources Resolution and Appropriation Ordinance Location:

Section 33.02

## NOTES:

In 2004, the Federal Bureau of Justice Assistance discontinued the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program, which financed the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Fund (Fund 415), and replaced it with the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Trust Fund.